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Reeve's letter not authorized: councillors

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation will be looking at a new affordable housing project in Minden.

However, there are questions about a letter of interest from Minden Hills township that led to the application for funding.

Hope Lee is CEO of the KLHHC and has confirmed the corporation has entered into an agreement with the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation for seed funding for preliminary work on a potential project.

"Seed funding provides financial assistance to carry out the initial activities required to develop a proposal for a specified housing project that will result in increasing affordable housing," Lee told the paper.

The corporation will use the funding to develop a business case for a project, including a needs analysis, preliminary design and look at financial viability.

Lee expects a draft of the business case to go to the KLHHC board this fall, with hopes of submitting it to the Canadian Mortgage and Housing Corporation by the end of the year.

However, there are questions about the origin of a letter of interest from the Township of Minden Hills that spurred the corporation to make the request for funding.

That letter, dated July 6, 2012 is from Reeve Barb Reid to Eleanor Harrison, chairwoman of the housing corporation board.

"Per our telephone conversation last see MINDEN page 2



For Dawson

A runner makes the break for home plate during the Dawson Hamilton Memorial Tournament in Minden on Aug. 10. Chad Ingram Staff

Minden Hills deputy-clerk takes new job

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

The deputy-clerk for Minden Hills is leaving the township for a job elsewhere.

Michael de Rond is resigning from the municipality to become the deputy-clerk for the Town of Uxbridge.

His last day with Minden Hills will be Aug. 22.

"My short tenure certainly wasn't what I expected but an opportunity for a bigger job near my hometown was something I

felt I had to apply for and I'm happy and surprised with the outcome," de Rond told the paper.

"I'm also comforted in knowing that candidates for clerk positions have more direct education and experience than ever before, so I expect Minden to attract a very good crop of candidates to fill my position. I very much enjoyed my time with the township. I will miss the fantastic people I have worked with as well as the interaction I have had with the residents of Minden Hills."

Reeve Barb Reid said de Rond is a posi-

tive person who will be missed and wished him well in the next step of his municipal career.

De Rond started with the township in 2013 after his predecessor Laura Cunliffe was terminated in February.

Former chief administrative officer Nancy Wright-Laking, who has since resigned to become clerk for the City of Sarnia, took responsibility for that dismissal.

Cunliffe has taken legal action against the township, which is still ongoing.

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Chad Ingram
Staff

Minden Hills councillors at a loss over housing letter

from page 1

week, this is to advise you that the Township of Minden Hills is interested in an affordable housing project in downtown Minden," the letter reads.

It goes on to explain the municipality's plan to relocate the Minden Hills fire hall from Prince Street in the village's core to Highway 35.

While Minden Hills has since decided not the partner with Haliburton County on a joint EMS base/fire hall on the former Walker's Auto Repair property along the highway, the county is setting aside a chunk of the land to sell to Minden Hills for the construction of a new fire hall.

"The fire hall sits on a large piece of land bounded by Pritchard Lane, Milne, Prince and St. Germaine streets," Reid's letter reads. "There is one small property that is still privately owned and the balance is owned by the municipality."

The balance consists of a rental home owned by the township, as well as Pritchard House, which currently sits vacant.

"Our vision at this time is to donate our municipally owned land for a combined facility that has a three-storey section for seniors apartments with adjacent family-oriented townhouses," the letter continues. "It is our hope that his project idea can get on the KLHHC board agenda and be considered for federal and provincial support at some point in the future. Please do not hesitate to ask should you wish to discuss in person."

The letter is written on township letterhead and has the names of Minden Hills councillors running down one side as part of that letterhead.

Lee confirmed the housing corporation applied for funding based on the letter from Reid.

However, members of council say there was no discussion authorizing Reid to send the letter, nor were township staff able to locate a resolution, nor was such a discussion reflected in any meeting minutes.

"I recall some discussion regarding the fire hall property, but it was informal and not part of council proceedings," Councillor-at-large Larry Clarke wrote in an email to the paper. "This was an item that was looked at as part of the village development master plan, but included reference to concern that it was in the flood hazard zone."

The current fire hall is located in Minden's floodplain and was damaged during the 2013 flood.

"If there was any council consideration or support for promoting the fire hall property as a potential site, it would have been included in council minutes and as a recommendation from staff in response to consideration of the AECOM village master plan."

The township contracted AECOM Canada to conduct the study for \$80,000. Completed in February of 2013, it identified municipally owned land at the end of Stouffer Street near the S.G. Nesbitt Memorial Arena as the preferred location for housing.

"A second option is the existing fire hall site near the municipal office, if and when it becomes available," the report reads.

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I recall some discussion regarding the fire hall property, but it was informal and not part of council proceedings.

— Councillor-at-large
Larry Clarke

Clarke was not alone in his inability to recall a discussion authorizing the letter.

"I have no recollection of this letter or a resolution from council," said Councillor Lisa Schell.

Nor did councillors Brigitte Gall, Jean Neville or Deputy-reeve Cheryl Murdoch.

"I absolutely do not recall any such conversation," Murdoch said. "I can't imagine all of us forgetting."

Reid claims she had verbal approval from council.

"The identification of the existing fire hall and adjacent lands as a possible location for affordable housing was discussed with council on several occasions in early 2012, however, most of these discussions took place in closed session because it was part of a larger closed session item," Reid wrote in an email. "Because of the discussions surrounding the possible relocation of the fire hall, the land under and adjacent to the existing fire hall seemed like a good option for an affordable housing project."

Reid insists council gave verbal approval for the letter.

"When council voted in May 2012 to purchase land on Highway 35 from the county for the purposes of a new fire hall and committed \$300,000 toward the project, I asked the question at that meeting immediately following that decision about whether council now wanted to send a letter of interest to the Kawartha Lakes-Haliburton Housing Corporation," she wrote. "Council gave verbal approval. Based on that, I contacted Hope Lee a few weeks later and she suggested I call the KLHHC board chair, Eleanor Harrison. Eleanor asked for a letter for her board so I sent it. Why the May 2012 council meeting minutes did not have a separate resolution for confirming direction to indicate interest (no financial commitment, just interest in a project) is unknown."

"To learn that KLHHC was successful in getting a grant to do a feasibility study is very promising news and that's what, in my opinion, is the most important thing to focus on. The people of Minden should be pleased to hear this news as it moves the prospect of additional affordable housing for our seniors a little further ahead."

Councillor Ken Redpath did not respond to the paper's inquiry on whether he recalled a discussion supporting the letter.

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Second World War pilot flies high at 90

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

As a young man, he flew air raids over Japan during the Second World War.

On a clear August morning, John Raymond Midlane is at Stanhope Airport with his family and local pilot Barry Hart.

Midlane celebrated his 90th birthday in July and is about to take to the sky with Hart to mark the occasion.

Entering the war in 1942 at 18 years of age, Midlane took his first flying instruction at Perth, England.

"Actually, I broke the record there," he says, explaining he achieved the highest training score at the base.

His training continued when he left his native Britain for the U.S., first in New York, then in Canada in Moncton, N.B. and then back in the States in Florida.

There, he worked his way up to flying advanced trainer aircraft known as T6 Texans, or Harvards, as they were called back in England.

He and a comrade had a close call while on a run to Alabama and back.

"I crashed in the everglades," Midlane says, quick to point out, "I wasn't flying at the time. I remember the wings cutting the tops of the trees off."

The crash knocked the two men unconscious.

"I've still got a bit of a scar, here," Midlane says, pointing to his forehead.

Eventually coming to, the pair spent the night in the plane, as not to encounter any of the glades' reptilian inhabitants.

They were eventually picked up by large-wheeled swamp buggy and Midlane explains their rescuers told the two they'd assumed they'd find them dead.

Fully alive, Midlane was shipped back to Europe for duty, flying Spitfires for a while, although not seeing much action from the Germans.

"It was getting towards the end of the war," he explains.

Then, he was given the opportunity to go to the far east, where he'd be flying a 4FU-5N Corsair.

"It was the fastest plane in the world at that time," a grinning Midlane says, explaining it was a difficult to pass up the offer.

His white cap is emblazoned with the plane's image.

Midlane was based in Australia, 90 miles south of Sydney, and transported towards Japan by aircraft carrier the HMS Formidable.

By that time he was a lieutenant in the Fleet Air Arms, part of the Royal Navy.

Midlane notes the history books recall much activity by the Americans during this period of the war, but that the British were there too.

"It's the forgotten fleet," he says.

Midlane flew bomber escort over the islands outside of Japan and was part of air raids on Japanese shipping yards.

"Any shipping at all," he says of his targets.

Like many veterans of the Second World War, Midlane has a lot of stories, some of which he'd rather not tell.

With some coaxing from daughter Helen, Midlane reveals that he celebrated the end of the war in spectacular fashion – by flying his plane under the Sydney Harbour Bridge.

"He was a bit of a daredevil," Helen says. "You had to be a little bit crazy to be a fighter pilot. You weren't allowed to do that, but they weren't going to court marshal you for it."

"I don't think they got my number," Midlane says.

The war was the last time Midlane himself would ever fly.

When he was asked to take on later combat missions and went in for testing, it was revealed that he was colour blind.

"I guess they wanted us pretty bad," he says.

His age hasn't stopped his daredevil ways.

A decade ago, to celebrate his 80th birthday, he went sky-diving with his granddaughter.

And he's been on a few previous flights with Hart, including a trip to the Wright Brothers museum in Dayton, Ohio.

The family had recently been thinking about what to get



Midlane for his 90th birthday.

"So, it was like the little light bulb went off," says daughter Rachel.

How does it feel to go flying on this beautiful morning above the Haliburton Highlands?

"I don't know yet," Midlane quips, as he makes his way toward the plane with Hart.



Chad Ingram Staff

Top, Second World War fighter pilot John Raymond Midlane took a flight at the Stanhope Airport Aug. 8. Midlane turned 90 in July.

Right, this photo shows Midlane as a sergeant in the Royal Air Force. He joined the Second World War at 18 in 1942.

Above, Midlane with daughters Helen Brown and Rachel Dwyer and local pilot Barry Hart as Hart and Midlane prepare for their flight.



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Asbestos removal a long-term endeavour

Jenn Watt
Editor

Asbestos removal is finished up for this summer at two area schools; however, complete eradication of the prolific building material is an ongoing process that could take years to complete.

Each year, Trillium Lakelands District School Board has an asbestos audit completed by an environmental abatement consultant, said board spokeswoman Catherine Shedden.

As renovations are done or as recommended by the consultant, the board has the material removed from its buildings.

"We take opportunities when possible to reduce the amount of asbestos-containing materials in our buildings," said Shedden in an email to the paper.

This summer, parts of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School in Haliburton and Archie Stouffer Elementary

School in Minden had removals done. At HHSS, this removal ended up relocating Haliburton School of the Arts students, who normally use the high school's classroom space.

As a result, HSTA used J.D. Hodgson Elementary School.

"[T]he renovation of the three tech shop areas scheduled for this summer required the removal of some asbestos containing materials before construction could start. Asbestos containing ceiling tiles and some sprayed on texture finish was also removed from the remainder of the building under the same contract," she said of HHSS.

The board has policy around how to deal with the substance, which was widely used up to the 1980s. Asbestos is not considered dangerous as long as it's contained within tiles, cement, insulation or other materials. Care must be taken when these materials are torn down or altered, which is why many institutions choose to phase out asbestos during renovation work.

According to the Government of Canada's website on asbestos: "If asbestos fibres are enclosed or tightly bound in a product, for example in asbestos siding or asbestos floor tiles, there are no significant health risks. Asbestos poses health risks only when fibres are present in the air that people breathe."

Those who work around airborne asbestos are at high risk of developing lung cancer, asbestosis and mesothelioma.

Several schools in the district still have asbestos present in materials, including the high school. As renovations are done the substance is removed, but it is a long-term project. Surveys including the locations of accessible asbestos-containing materials are kept in the main office of every building in the school board, Shedden said.

"TLDSB is compliant with all legislation and regulations and the health and safety of our staff and students is our priority."

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High results from Highland Yard

Zach Cox
Staff reporter

A total of 227 runners and walkers participated in the 43rd annual Highland Yard on Sunday, Aug. 3. There were 86 runners in the 10-kilometre distance, 99 in the five-kilometre and 42 participants in the two-kilometre run/walk.

Race director Jack Russel announced that the event generated \$19,857 with nearly \$11,000 going to Places For People.

Russel also said that the Haliburton County Development Corporation provided a grant for \$2,400, which was used to purchase communication devices and safety cones for the race, cones and communication devices

that will be made available to other races and organizations in the Highlands.

"The Highland Yard is a tradition in the Highlands and is a favourite race for many," said Russel in an email to the *Times*, "One man who had part of his lung removed three weeks after the race last year had as his goal to run the 10K this year – he completed it in 57 minutes. Another runner completed his 37th Highland Yard."

Russel also said corporate and business donations were up this year, with more than \$2,600. Pledges from runners increased significantly as well.

The event had 60 volunteers, including 30 Leaders in Training from Onondaga. "These young people were amazing," said Russel.

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Local zone of EORN project complete

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

On Wednesday, Aug. 6, local politicians along with members of the Eastern Ontario Wardens' Caucus celebrated a digital milestone.

The Haliburton, Dorset and Hastings zones of the caucus's Eastern Ontario Regional Network broadband Internet expansion are complete.

In 2009, EORN began a massive project to provide 85 per cent of the EOWC jurisdiction with connectivity of at least 10 megabits per second and at least 1.5 megabits per second to 95 per cent of homes and businesses in the region.

The estimated \$170 million project used \$55 million from the feds through the Building Canada Fund and \$55 million from the provincial government's Broadband Infrastructure Fund.

The remaining funds came from the wardens' caucus and private partners, the main one being telecommunications company Bell Aliant. Hastings CAO and project lead Jim Pine told the gathering at county council chambers on Newcastle Street Wednesday that direct private sector investment had come in at \$59 million, exceeding the \$50 million he'd been hoping for.

Haliburton County contributed \$420,000.

While the Haliburton zone was initially scheduled to be completed in late 2013, extreme winter weather coupled with difficult terrain pushed the completion date back.

Some 24,000 homes and business in the Haliburton zone - which encompasses northern portions of the City of Kawartha

Lakes and Peterborough County - will have access to wired service of up to 15 megabits per second "at competitive pricing," where available.

The project laid 121 kilometres of new fibre optic cable with eight new Internet access points throughout the region. In gap areas where cable could not be taken, residents are encouraged to access the Internet by satellite provided by Xplornet Communications Inc. at speeds of up to 10 megabits per second.

In the county, most of these areas exist in Algonquin Highlands.

"I think we need to get the word out to people that satellite is better than it used to be," said Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MP Barry Devolin. "It's not perfect, but I can't get a pizza delivered to my cottage either."

Devolin said high-speed Internet is a modern amenity that a tourist community like Haliburton County is expected to have.

He recalled that when he used to work at Wigamog Resort, "the brochure still said paved roads all the way and a telephone in every room. I don't want to say that [about high-speed Internet] because it's expected and it's there."

"The demand for data is going to grow and grow," Devolin said, adding he thought the project was an example of how well various levels of government can work together.

Highlands East Reeve and County Warden Dave Burton is also the chairman of the EORN board.

"What makes our county so beautiful makes it hard to serve," Burton said, referring to its rocky topography. "Improving Internet access in this area was a significant challenge, even more challenging,



Highlands East Reeve and County Warden Dave Burton, who is also chairman of the Eastern Ontario Regional Network board, speaks at the launch of the Haliburton zone of the EORN broadband expansion on Aug. 6.

Chad Ingram
Staff

quite frankly, than other parts of the whole region. It speaks of the complexity of this ambitious project.

Burton thanked Bell Aliant and as an example of how the project has improved the quality of life of residents and businesses, called up to the podium Mike McKeon of Minden's Up River Trading Co., which opened last year.

"I think I'm at the end of the baby boomers and a lot of baby boomers are choosing a more balanced lifestyle," McKeon said, explaining he'd taken an early retirement from a career in finance four years ago.

He and his husband already had a cottage in Algonquin Highlands.

"We weren't ready to do nothing, so we invested up here." Up River Trading Co. is more than just a coffee shop. It's also the headquarters for small advertising company with clients in New York, Los Angeles, Rome and Atlanta.

Reliable access to high-speed Internet is

key to its success.

Northumberland-Quinte West MPP Lou Rinaldi spoke on behalf of Rural Affairs Minister Jeff Leal and Warden Rick Phillips of Hastings also took the mike, thanking the CAOs and staff members of the municipalities that compromise the EOWC for their work on the project.

The EOWC encompassed 103 municipalities.

Phillips said that while the project was originally valued at \$170 million, with in-kind contributions, it's really worth more like \$260 million.

Peter Dilworth, vice president of finance and the chief procurement officer for Bell Aliant also spoke, thanking company staff for their contributions.

"But today belongs to the community," said Dilworth, who has a cottage in the area.

Some 1,800 households in the Dorset zone were connected through the project and 9,000 in Hastings.

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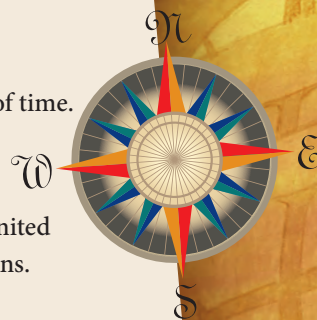
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Oversight

THERE IS LITTLE oversight of municipal politicians or municipal process in Ontario.

Unlike Members of Provincial Parliament, who are overseen by the Office of the Integrity Commissioner, municipal officials have no effective central authority providing checks and balances on their conduct.

Under the Municipal Act, councils can appoint integrity commissioners for their local governments and some larger municipalities do have them.

The Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing doesn't dare go near allegations of municipal misconduct and while complaints about municipal councils can be made to the Ontario Ombudsman, the scope is narrow.

Residents can file complaints if they feel a closed meeting has been held unjustly, or that something that should have been discussed publicly was discussed in-camera.

When the office of the ombudsman gets such a complaint, the ombudsman reviews the evidence and then makes a ruling on whether the meeting was permissible under the Municipal Act.

Aside from that, municipal politicians are basically on their own.

What are the consequences for violating procedural bylaws or purchasing policies?

What about censoring committee meeting minutes or acting unilaterally without the consent of council?

The ramifications are nil.

Look at the mayor of Toronto. He is proof that municipal politi-

cians can basically do whatever they damn well please and there's not a thing anyone can do about it.

Ontario Ombudsman Andre Marin wants expanded authority and has campaigned for the province to give him such.

Marin hasn't been shy about what he sees as a culture of secrecy and corruption among Ontario municipalities, even going so far as to use a cartoon depicting mayors as a bunch of Chicken Littles running from the acorn of his justice during the presentation of his 2013 report.

He doesn't seem to sit well with many municipal politicians. Go figure.

The Liberals had been planning to introduce legislation requiring municipalities to create new processes to review complaints about municipal service delivery, or choose to have complaints investigated by the

office of Ontario's ombudsman, before the spring election.

The Association of Municipalities of Ontario has pushed back against the idea and Dysart et al Reeve Murray Fearrey quipped earlier in the year that the then-beleaguered Liberals were just trying to find a way to take attention off themselves.

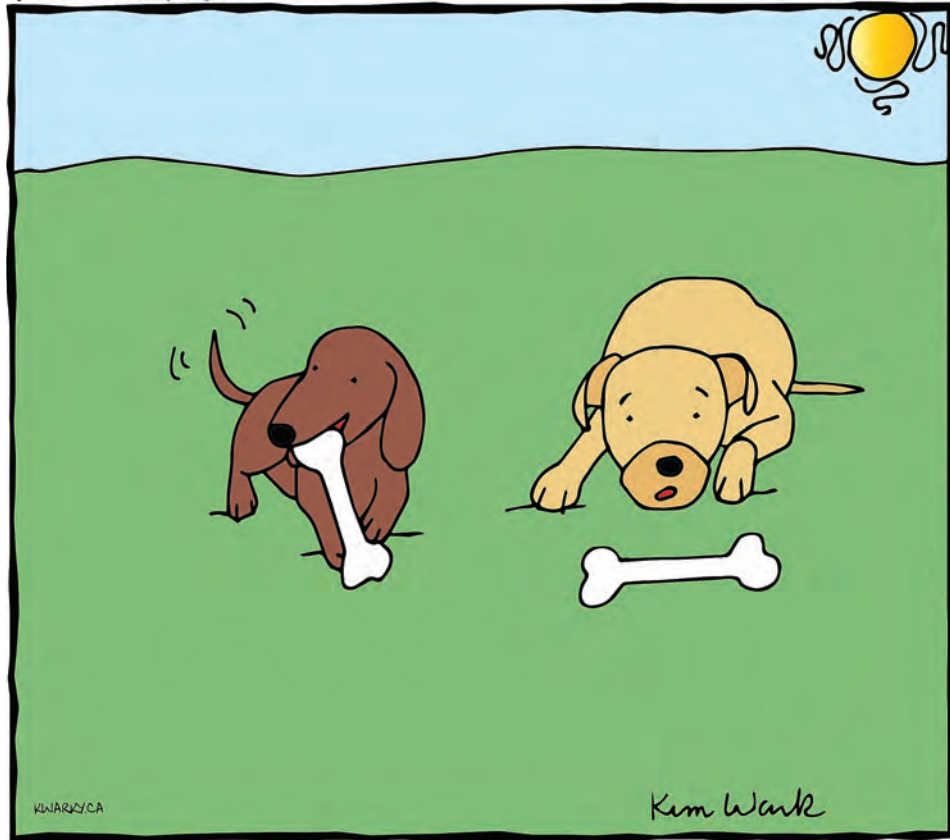
And there are certainly ideological problems with giving too much clout to a single, provincially-appointed figure over domains that are to be run by locally elected people.

However, there are also times when it seems Ontarians might benefit from heightened oversight at the municipal level.



Chad Ingram
Reporter

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letters to the editor

Stress doesn't justify finger

To the Editor,

In a letter to your paper, Joan Shaddock described, in detail, her view of Mr. Bradley's actions on Canada Day. Was she implying the reeve's highly inappropriate response was justified because Ms. Reid may have felt stressed?

Our municipal representatives, especially

the reeve, must be capable of thoughtful, measured responses to unforeseen situations. Ms. Reid's obscene gesture in front of a crowd, including many children, certainly did not live up to these criteria.

Pat Brezina
Minden

Council should hold Reid to code

To the Editor,

I certainly appreciate Jon James's letter but need to clear something up with regards to why I provided Minden Hills Reeve Barbara Reid notice under the Libel and Slander Act.

This is not about Minden Hills Reeve Barbara Reid flipping me the bird or her subsequently telling me to "f*** off."

I served notice because Minden Hills Reeve Barbara Reid on multiple occasions in a variety of media has accused me of engaging in criminal activity, stalking, for a period of up to five years. During those five years Minden Hills Reeve Barbara Reid also acknowledged that she has not reported this alleged criminal behaviour to the Ontario Provincial Police.

Perhaps a question that should be asked is why the Minden Hills council has not

addressed any of the past or more recent (since July 1) behaviours of Minden Hills Reeve Barbara Reid under their own codes of conduct that each councillor is required to swear an oath to and sign upon taking office. (Copies of the code of conduct are available upon request from the Township of Minden Hills.)

In the past constituents that have publicly opposed Minden Hills Reeve Barbara Reid by signing a petition have been referred to as "toxic," "destructive" and "bad apples."

Minden Hills Reeve Barbara Reid's election signs say, "experience gets results."

It is my belief that our Minden Hills experience will get results on Oct. 27.

Richard Bradley
Moore Falls

Thanks for the help

To the Editor,

Thanks to the people on Mountain Lake who came out to help and may have saved the

Seadoo from sinking all the way down. Again, thank you all so much.

Tom and KayMacartney

More letters on page 8

points of view

Self absorbed

MAYBE I'M OLD SCHOOL but I just don't understand the selfie.

The selfie – for those fortunate enough not to have been subjected to one – is simply a digital photo taken by a person of themselves. And, if my experience is any indication, that person is typically trying to look like a duck.

Duck faces and selfies go hand in hand.

Again, this baffles me since, given the choice, ducks would not want to look like ducks.

In any case, the selfie is used by young people, celebrities and celebrity-wannabes so frequently that there is now, apparently, a backlash against it. That's right; young hip, good looking people have finally realized it is vain and egotistical to take photos of their own faces and post them online.

So now they are taking photos of their own backs. They call it the back selfie.

Well, I'm glad we've solved that

problem.

OK, maybe I'm old school but I recall a time when a person could experience an entire meal or visit the mall, beach, lake or park without documenting the experience in a series of uninteresting, poorly composed photos.

Now, however, it seems you cannot eat bean sprouts without having a photo shoot (no pun intended).

I don't blame young people for this either – they're just having fun with the tools society has given them. And I don't know if anyone is putting any real thought into the vanity that this trend reflects.

It is all about vanity though.

I mean, essentially when you take a selfie and post it online, you are making the assumption others are dying to see what you look like when you are in a restaurant posing

beside a tasty arugula salad.

The sad truth is – in this world of selfies – no one cares what you look like posing beside a tasty arugula salad. They only care about what they look like posing beside a tasty arugula salad, which is why everyone is taking selfies.

A selfie – and yes, even a back selfie – is incontrovertible evidence that we have gotten incredibly self-absorbed. It used to be that photographers took more

photos of scenery and others than themselves. When they did take photos of themselves, they took serious self portraits that somehow reflected the human condition. Rarely, if ever, were duck faces involved.

The good news is this is probably a passing fad. That's why we're already moving onto back selfies. And just to move it along further,



Steve Galea
Beyond 35

The colour of August

IN HALIBURTON, there are two ways to create a garden. One is to go out and buy a spade, a hoe and a rake and start digging and hoeing and raking. Don't forget the seed packets and the bug spray.

Sounds like hard work to me. I'd rather let Mother Nature do my gardening for me. She won't mind the rocks on Sapsucker Ridge. I'll just sit back and watch. The daffodils of spring are the only blossoms that didn't get here by themselves.

Even if you do the gardening yourself, you'll need a road to get to it. Build a road for Mother Nature and she will come.

First, dig a hole for sand and gravel to build that road. Let the pit sit for a bit and nature will trim it in bright colours. As for the road, leave a little room for the sun to sneak in around the edges, call it a verge, and the forest's green backdrop will set off the march of colours through the seasons.

Away from the road, there's little enough colour to admire in the deep woods of Sapsucker Ridge, where the flowers have had their day in the sun and their greenery rests now in the shade.

But where there's an opening, Nature finds a way. Stalks of wild lettuce stand seven feet tall near the first bend in the laneway, their

blossoms given way now to seed pods, out of reach unless you bend the stem.

Not far from the lettuce is Queen Anne's lace. Day lilies nearby came from who knows where to replace the peonies, which also arrived by stealth years ago and left just as quietly. Periwinkle showed up without invitation to surround the woodshed and now spreads, with my permission, to take over the lawn.

On an August day, the only yellow near the cabin comes from a solitary buttercup, the white from daisies, the purple from the burdock by the stoop. Also purple in my vocabulary when the burrs start clinging to my sleeve.

The orange near the sides of my roads and creeks comes from touch-me-nots. I'm told that their juices will soothe the itch of poison ivy. There is no poison ivy on Sapsucker Ridge. Should I plant some just to give meaning to the touch-me-nots' lives?

I understand about as much about wildflowers as the Prime Minister understands about climate change, so I bring along a guide to comfort me. Comfort is about all it gives me; it would take

a mind more analytical than mine to sort out all the possibilities. I am too easily distracted to apply any rigor to my analysis.

Even I can identify Queen Anne's Lace, which is a fancy name for wild carrot, but its family tree distracts me. To begin with, it is both ancestor and cousin of the orange carrot you find in the produce department.

In Ontario it may also be its descendant; the carrot may have reverted to its original form after it escaped from settlers' gardens.

Or, it simply may have arrived as a weed.

The roots of the orange carrot are in the Netherlands, where plant breeders changed its colour to honour the Dutch royal family, the House of Orange. The wildflower bears the name of a British queen whose sister Mary married Dutch William of Orange and preceded Anne on the throne.

Read those last two paragraphs several times and you may figure them out. If you do, let me know. Too much history. See, I told you I was easily distracted. Easily distracted as well by the purple, white and yellow that are Nature's trim-



Neil Campbell
Back of Beyond

ming for a fairly new road into a pit not far from Sapsucker Ridge. Purple dominates, from fireweed and from spotted knapweed.

Knapweed, which may have been rare in Haliburton not so long ago, looks to me like a dishevelled aster squeezing out of a cone at its base. It is everywhere, out-competing its neighbours.

Yellow comes from goldenrod in daytime, from evening primrose when it lives up to its name at dusk, and from common mullein, which gives us yellow one or two blooms a few hours at a time, all summer long.

The parent of this year's plant may have shed its 150,000 seeds a century ago, where they lay waiting for the temporary desert of a new excavation. Each day's flowers open before dawn and close forever in the afternoon.

Purple and yellow mean nothing to The Brown Dog Jiggs. His favourite colour is green, his favourite fragrances the odours left by the creatures that have been there. So much to sniff and so little time to sniff it.

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Rangers repair Kinark trail

The Bancroft and Kawartha Highlands Stewardship Youth Rangers continued their work this week by participating in a variety of projects in the area. Last week, they worked in Algonquin Provincial Park, removing temporary turtle fencing along Hwy. 60. The turtle fencing is set up each year during the early spring when the female turtles are laying their eggs in the loose gravel along roadsides. It is then taken down in the summer to allow wildlife movement throughout the park.

The rangers learned that while turtles have an extremely long lifespan, their life expectancy is low due to a number of factors. Out of the eight species of turtles in this part of Ontario, seven are at risk. Turtle mortality on roads is one reason they are on the species at risk list, as turtles have large territories that do not recognize road boundaries.

In August, they are planning to return to Algonquin to set up permanent turtle fencing, a new initiative planned by Algonquin's park biologists.

While up in the Algonquin and Whitney area, the crew took the opportunity to visit McRae Lumber Mill, a logging company that utilizes sustainable forestry practices in its production of wood and cellulose goods. Their tour guide was James McRae, the fifth generation of his family to operate the mill. McRae described how the mill uses a quarter of their forestry land every 25 years to allow regeneration of the logging areas. They were able to tour the facilities and view the process that turns a tree into the products we use everyday.

The group was also able to see how every part of the tree is used in material production to minimize waste of natural

resources. The McRae Lumber Mill gave the rangers valuable insight into sustainable forest management and encouraged some of them to contemplate a future in forestry.

The rangers spent the rest of last week working on single-day projects including setting up displays for the art show in Bon Echo Provincial Park and repairing trails at Kinark Outdoors Centre. While visiting Bon Echo, they had the opportunity to interact with park staff and the Friends of Bon Echo volunteers that have made this art show a success for over three decades. Later on they will be returning to the park to take down the displays and work on cleaning interior campsites.

To finish up an exciting week of unique work projects, they headed to Kinark Outdoors Centre in Carnarvon, working on repairing the Fen Trail, a hiking path that winds through the camp. Sponsored by Kinark Child and Family Services, the camp provides an outdoor experience for children and their families - something we rangers want to encourage!

Kawartha Highlands ranger Patricia Deady recognizes the importance of an outdoor experience.

"I grew up spending most of my summertime outdoors. The changing environment is one of the reasons I enjoy being a Stewardship Ranger. The benefits of being outdoors is something I hope to promote to others, and working on the Kinark trails will help accomplish that."

They hope to continue to promote outdoor experiences when they work at the North Hastings Fish Hatchery, Baptiste Lake and Petroglyph's Provincial Park throughout the week.

- Submitted

Reader slighted by EORN project

To the Editor,

I read with interest the article online about the completion of the Haliburton zone of the DSL hook ups through the EORN. What caught my attention was the mention that customers that couldn't access the cable were mainly in Algonquin Highlands. I live in Minden Hills and have been told that we will never have access because there is not enough call for it.

I live on Lochlin Road and there are at least 20 residences along this road and I am sure that most of us would love having access to DSL rather than having to rely on satellite and turbo hubs. I believe and if someone can correct me that the cable runs as far as the end of the South Lake Road. There are 34 residences and one business along the Gelert Road towards where I am that are not able to access

DSL because the cable wasn't run any farther. This doesn't take into account people that live along Ritchie Falls Road or Porky's Road or Sunny Rock Road. Also there are many residences along Gelert Road towards Gelert that do not have it either.

The Tom Bolton Road, which is about two kilometres from where I live has access to it and there are about the same number of residences on it. I can't understand the rationale regarding why this area was excluded from receiving this most wanted service. I hope that someone reading this letter can give me the answers. I feel very slighted by the EORN and the County of Haliburton.

Diane Peacock
Lochlin Road
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Local youth step up to the plate

Above, it was fun in the sun as local youth played some softball in the Dawson Hamilton Memorial Tournament in Minden on Aug. 10.

Right, a batter eyes up a pitch.

Below, it was a day of friendly competition at the tournament.

Chad Ingram Staff



Conference of Chairs

By Barb Rosen

Part of an anthology called Highway 35

There's a conference of chairs
Taking place on the lake
This summer;
More than one, as a matter of fact,
And it's pretty serious business
As anyone can see;
All the details have been attended to
On big, wide docks,
Smart looking Muskoka chairs are lined
up like soldiers
In fours, sixes and even an occasional pair;

Flowers have been set out
In large clay pots
And umbrellas at the ready
That will open at the touch of a finger.
What brings them here?
One can only guess—
Pressing global issues on environment,
World peace, the hunger of children, tech-
nology;
When will they begin?
It's hard to say
But perhaps you may ask
The lone loon on the lake.



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Fundraising starts for Terry Fox Run

Jenn Watt
Editor

Each week for the next five weeks, Walter Tose intends to raise \$40 for the Terry Fox Run – and he hopes many more run participants will join him.

By starting early, the event's Haliburton organizer said the community could easily bring in \$20,000 for cancer research come Sept. 14, the date of this year's event.

"My plan is, if I can get two people a week, for the next five weeks to donate \$20 each ... if we can get 50 people or 100 people to do that [we can raise] \$20,000," he said.

This is Tose's third year running the event, which starts at the docks in Haliburton at noon (registration at 11 a.m.) and includes one or two laps around Head Lake.

The Terry Fox Foundation's practices are a big part of what initially attracted the retired school teacher to the fundraiser, which his wife Aggie Tose organized for years. (Before that, Andy Salvatori was the principal organizer.)

According to the foundation, 84 cents of every dollar raised goes to cancer research. Since the foundation was founded 34 years ago, \$650 million has gone to research worldwide.

The charity is run honouring Terry Fox's vision; money is dedicated almost exclusively to research with some also going to training "future leaders in cancer research."

In many ways, it's still a family affair, says Minden run organizer Diane Peacock.

Since volunteering in 2000, Peacock has become more involved each year, becoming committee chairwoman for Minden in 2007. Over that time, she has met many members of the Fox family and takes great pride in the run and what it means.

In Minden, besides the run/walk, there are also entertainment, food and a silent auction dedicated to Dawson Hamilton, who passed away in 2010.

In the last four years, that auction has raised \$7,000.

Aside from her connection with the Fox family and the foundation, Peacock also has an emotional thread connecting her to the greater cause of ending cancer.

"I started in 2000 as a volunteer and the reason I got into it was I lost a very close uncle in August of that year and the run was in September," said Peacock.

"I've lost about five or six family members to cancer. I have my great niece right now she was diagnosed at nine months old with kidney cancer. She's six years remission right now. It's for her that I do it," she said.

One of the most rewarding parts of being involved with the foundation for Tose is seeing how much has changed in cancer treatment over the years since Fox launched the

Marathon of Hope in 1980.

Recently, Tose and Peacock attended a foundation conference where one of the speakers gave a concrete example of the work done.

"There was a young man there – same situation as Terry, same cancer, about the same age. A survivor. If Terry had been born today he'd probably still be around. We wouldn't be doing the Terry Fox Run. You meet someone like that, it's pretty inspiring," said Tose.

This year, event organizers are encouraging people to

consider entering the run with a team. There is no entry fee and no minimum pledge amount to participate.

"Whatever amount you raise is that many more dollars [for cancer research]," said Peacock.

Go to terryfox.org and click on "Find a run site" for more information or call 1-888-836-9786. (To contact Peacock about the Minden run, you can email mindenterryfoxrun@interhop.net or call 705-286-4914. Tose can be contacted at 705-457-4514.)



Jenn Watt Staff

Minden Terry Fox Run organizer Diane Peacock and Haliburton Terry Fox Run organizer Walter Tose chat about this year's upcoming fundraiser scheduled for Sept. 14. The Minden event starts at 9:30 a.m. and the Haliburton event starts at noon.

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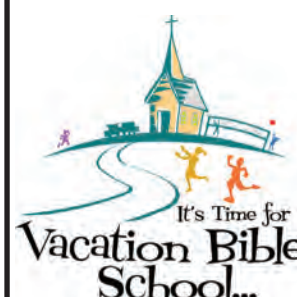
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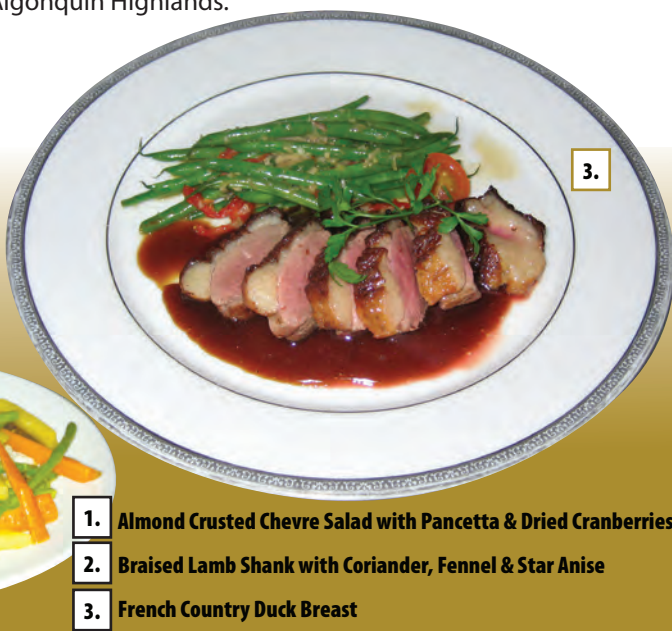
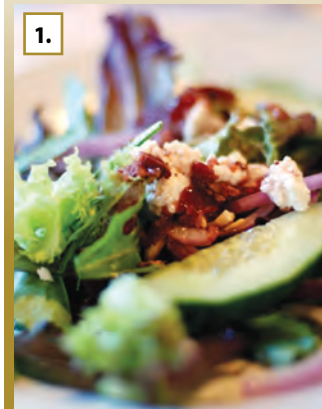
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Celebrating Metis culture in Irondale

Chad Ingram
Staff reporter

Irondale residents got a lesson on what it means to be Metis on Aug. 8.

Joanna Burt and Alicia Blore are part of a summer youth cultural program with the Metis Nation of Ontario and met with residents at the Irondale church.

Metis 101 was hosted by Bark Lake Cultural Developments, the community organization that owns the former Anglican church.

Meaning “mixed” in a native tongue, Metis people descended from those who were part First Nations and part French as a result of the voyageurs who transported furs by

canoe during the fur trade starting in the 17th century.

As Burt and Blore explained, “big M” Metis are able to trace their lineage back to Manitoba’s Red River area and voyageurs directly while “small m” Metis cannot directly trace that lineage.

Among the most important Metis cultural items is the sash.

Metres in length, sashes were created using a style of finger-weaving and were first made from plant fibres, prior to the introduction of wool.

Sashes were used for a wide variety of purposes including warmth, carrying objects and cleaning and were central to Metis life.

The colours of one’s sash indicated where that person was from.

“It’s kind of like a kilt,” Blore said, explaining sash colours were analogous to the way Scottish tartans indicated what clan a person belonged to.

It could take between 300 and 500 hours to weave a sash.

Aboriginal and European culture also married in Metis music, where it was common to have a European instrument such as the violin accompanied by First Nations percussion instruments.

Blore and Burt gave enthused attendees a demonstration.

The Simmons family of Irondale can trace their lineage back to a First Nations woman named Sarah Potts who wed ancestor James Simmons.



Chad Ingram Staff

Joanna Burt explains the importance of the sash in Metis culture at the Irondale church on Aug. 8.



Chad Ingram Staff

Joanna Burt, left, and Alicia Blore brought some Metis music to Irondale during an Aug. 10 presentation at the Irondale church.

First Kinmount fair held in 1879

Patti Fleury
Around the Town

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Here at the old farmhouse welcome rain is falling and hopefully filling up the poney pond. Our dooryard grass has been destroyed by night marauders searching for grubs to an extent never seen in previous years and the suggested application of “Critter Ridder” failed to deter them. Mind you to purchase these expensive granules in sufficient quantity would have meant going without oil and likely propane this winter. Already signs of fall are noticeable with patches of coloured leaves appearing along the Galway Road signalling that the Kinmount Fair is fast approaching. Reading the history of the fair in Guy Scott’s book *Kinmount - A Community On The Fringe* the Somerville Agricultural Society was founded back in 1872 and the fall fair sponsored by this society was to alternate its location between Coboconk and Kinmount. This agreement did not work and in 1879 Kinmount residents formed the Galway Agricultural Society with the first fall fair held in Kinmount on Oct. 14, 1879 attracting some 200 entries. The partial list of prize winners includes many family surnames still familiar in today’s community. My personal claim to fame is a red ribbon not for a quilt or butter tarts but instead for the odd-est freak vegetable awarded for a post mature radish made

into a rabbit complete with googly eyes. Hey, a red ribbon is a red ribbon!

Kinmount’s 2014 Music in the Park series continues through Aug. on Thursday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Picnic Pavilion area of Austin Sawmill Heritage Park. This Thursday, Aug. 14 Tony and the Satin Tones will be featured with Gord Kidd and Friends closing out the series on Aug. 21. Bring along your family, neighbours and lawn chairs for an enjoyable evening by the Burnt River.

Nominations for the Kinmount and District Lions Club’s Citizen of the Year award are due by Aug. 15. This annual honour is presented in the Pioneer Complex on the Friday afternoon of the Kinmount Fair to someone from the Kinmount area who has served their community or organization with dedication helping to make Kinmount a better place to live. Please submit your nomination in writing including the rationale for your choice to the Citizen of the Year Committee, P.O.Box 166, Kinmount, Ontario K0M 2A0.

Wednesday morning craft classes for children continue at the Kinmount Artisans Marketplace from 10 to 11:30 a.m. Each week there is a different project and the cost is only \$3 to cover materials. For more information/registration call 705-488-2938.

Friends of the Kinmount Library will be holding its regular monthly book sale this Saturday, Aug. 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on the lower level of the branch. Funds raised go to support the Reading Garden and children’s programming including special events like the visit of Woolley Wonderland back for a second year on Tuesday, Aug. 26 at 2 p.m.

At Kinmount United Church, 15 Cluxton Street, the guest at the morning Service this Sunday, Aug. 17 will be Joanne Strang who will speak of her work with World Vision Canada. Joanne and her family continue to cottage on Crystal Lake and her parents operated Strang’s Value Mart in Bobcaygeon for many years with management continuing by Fred Jr. and Heather Strang. After the service there will be a special dedication in memory of Joanne’s mother Joyce a long time active church member and funds raised at the luncheon following the service will be donated to World Vision. Everyone is most welcome to attend and the service will begin at its regular time of 9:45 a.m. Listen for the bells.

Activity is gearing up at the Legion Branch 441 Kinmount as the fair weekend approaches. To check out the special events go to the branch’s new Facebook page at www.facebook.com/kinmountlegion. Please note that the monthly liver and onions lunch date has been moved to Tuesday, Aug. 19 from the normally scheduled last Tuesday of the month with a delicious meal including dessert and beverage being served between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. for a \$7 charge. Another change for fair week only is the cancellation of the Friday night bingo on Aug. 29. Big bucks bid euchre will be as regularly scheduled on the third Wednesday of the month Aug. 20 at 11 a.m. with a \$10 fee which includes lunch.

Just a postscript to last week’s column as grandson Ben true to form skilfully devoured five loaded soft tacos each with ends folded neatly into a wrap. Until next week.

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Fair Opens Friday 4 pm

- 4 pm - 8 pm Exhibit Building Open (Minden Curling Rink)
- 5 pm Hospitality Tent Opens with Mitch Wallace at 8 pm
- 5 pm Truck and Tractor Pulls
- 6 pm - 7:45 Grandstand Entertainment - Classic Country Drifters
- 6:30 pm Mutt Show
- 7:00 pm Pony Pull Begins

Fair Opens Saturday 9 am

- 9 am - 6 pm Exhibit Building Open (Minden Curling Rink)
- 9 am - 6 pm Vendor Booths Open
- 9 am - 6 pm Meet The Animals
- 9 am Miniature & Light Horse Shows Begin
- 9 am - Noon Remax Hot Air Balloon
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- 10 am - 5pm Classic Car Show Open
- 11 am Opening Ceremonies
- 11 am Grandstand Entertainment Begins

- 11 am Sheep Shearing Demonstration
- 11 am & 1pm Wood Processor Demonstrations & Sawmill Demonstrations
- 11am - 5pm Minden Hills Fire Department Demonstrations
- 11:30 am Ruffsport Performance Dog Team
- 12 pm Lawnmower Pull
- 12 pm Hospitality Tent Opens
- 12 pm Horseshoe Tournament
- 12 pm - 3pm Free Children's Events
- 12:30 am Captain Corbin the Magical Pirate
- 1 pm Sheep Show Begins
- 1:30 pm Sheep Shearing Demonstration
- 2 pm Ruffsport Performance Dog Team
- 2 pm - 3pm Ride Against Crime Poker Run ends at fairgrounds
- 2:30 pm Children's Stories and Crafts
- 3:00 pm Captain Corbin the Magical Pirate
- 3:00 pm Auction Begins At Horse Pull Ring
- 3:30 pm LeRoy Nesbit Memorial Championship Horse Pull
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Tomato/Tomato

John Lennard is one of our best known landscape artists whose paintings are highly respected well beyond our borders. It is with much anticipation then that the arts community is awaiting the latest images from Lennard, which will be on display at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, starting Aug. 26.

This time Lennard will not be alone. Joining him at the AJG will be his friend, fellow artist David Foyn. Lennard thought it would be interesting to have an exhibition of his paintings along with Foyn's; the "hook" being that they would both paint at the same location so that the public could see two different interpretations of the same scene.

Lennard's oil paintings, while in direct response to nature, emphasize strong colour and design elements in an esthetic concern which is every bit as prevalent as the landscapes from which he seeks his inspiration.

David Foyn, on the other hand works mainly in acrylic, and he depends on photographic images and his mind's eye to reproduce his landscapes. His style is more realist than Lennard's, and his palette is less intense. "Nature has a way of composing itself," Foyn says, "and it is my goal as a landscape painter to find the best way to capture and express it on canvas".

When Lennard suggested the show to AJG curator Laurie Carmount, she jumped at the idea, and came up with the name, "Tomato/Tomato." Two artists, two different styles, one location – how do they interpret the view? "You say tomato, I say tomato."

"Tomato/Tomato" featuring the works of artists John Lennard and David Foyn will be at the Agnes Jamieson Gallery, 176 Bobcaygeon Road, in Minden from Aug. 26 to Oct. 11. The opening wine reception will take place on Friday Aug. 29 at 4:30 p.m. Blues/jazz diva Zoe Chilco and her trio will be on hand to entertain guests. The event is free but donations are appreciated.

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A call to honour veterans at the Legion



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Love yard sales? Then you will want to mark your calendar for Aug. 23 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., and take in Minden Legion's multi-vendor "Junk in your Trunk" sale. Or you can reserve your own spot for just \$10! Clear out your basement, garage, craft room or closets, whatever you can pack into your trunk, or trailer, or truck. Spots are limited, so call the clubroom now at 705-286-4541. You sell from your parking lot spot and you keep your profit. The Legion takes care of the rest, and we will even have barbecue foods available.

Tickets for the Minden Legion's quilt raffle will be on sale Saturday at the Haliburton Fair, \$3 each or four for \$10. There are three prizes donated by the Thursday Creative Crew, with all proceeds toward the building fund. Thank you for your support of the Minden Legion.

Word of the Legion's four-person best ball golf tournament has spread quickly. There are already four teams registered for Sept. 16 at Beaverbrook Golf Club, 11 a.m. shotgun start. Entry fee \$50 per person, includes cart, green fees, and a barbecue and prizes afterwards at the Legion. If you're energetic, we'll have a partial rebate for walkers. Get your team together and register soon, the sign-up sheet is posted in the clubroom.

This week marked 100 years since the start of the First World War. Why would we want to mention something which happened that long ago? The Great War was one of the deadliest in history and almost every family was affected in some way or another. Twenty-six million soldiers and seven million civilians from many nations were killed in "the war to end all wars." On the home front, children and the elderly lived in a world of bombings, food rations, hunger and even starvation. 600,000 Canadians

served in the First World War and close to one in 10 never returned home again, including those named on our own county cairn. At the end of the war, many returned home broken in body and mind, suffering what we now recognize as PTSD. In 1926 veterans formed the Royal Canadian Legion so that none who served our county would ever be forgotten.

Membership in the Legion is now open to anyone who supports the aims of the Legion. Drop in to our branch and fill out an application. Our members are reminded that the early bird contest for 2015 starts soon and if you have not renewed for 2014, you will need to do so quickly.

Turnout for Sunday euchre was excellent, with players from Kinmount, Coboconk, Fenelon Falls and all over the area. If you could help prepare the lunch once a month, please leave a message at the branch for the organizer May Bradbury.

We welcome back our many summer friends and visitors. The patio is open and our premises are air-conditioned. Last Wednesday was very busy at the meat draws, with the young people playing darts in the Sports Room. The Wednesday lunch desserts are available by donation to the building fund, and are prepared fresh and yummy by our wonderful volunteers. Come try one this week!



Wear your best western outfit

Melissa Alfano
Dorset News

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Dorset Ladies Night country and western party has been postponed to Tuesday, Aug. 19 starting at 7 p.m. A baked bean and biscuit dinner, beer (root) and prizes for the best western ensemble (jeans, cowboy hats, boots, western vests, shirts and bandanas) are on the schedule. Reservations are required. Please RSVP as soon as possible by emailing recreation@algonquinhighlands.ca or by calling 705-766-9968. The cost is \$5 per lady – please let your friends know – the more the merrier!

The Dorset Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner takes place this Thursday, Aug. 14 starting at 6 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$8 for kids 6 to 12, \$25 for a family of four and five and under are free. Contact Esther at 705-766-2830 for more information or to reserve.

Tickets will be available at the door for the annual Lake of Bays United Churches' roast beef dinner at the Dwight Community Centre on Saturday, Aug. 23. Sittings are continuous between 5 and 7 p.m. Adults are \$16 and children 12 and under are \$8. The dinner includes homemade pie for dessert. This event is an annual fundraiser for the three United Church of Canada churches; Knox in Dorset, Stewart Memorial in Dwight and Pioneer Memorial, Hillside.

There are still a few tables left for the Dorset Community Garage Sale On Saturday, Aug. 30 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Recreation Centre has great location right on Main Street and there will be tons of traffic on the long weekend. Rent a table for \$5 to sell your good used stuff. Open to all (used

stuff only please) first come first serve. St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church will also be hosting a barbecue during the sale. Call 705-766-9968 for more information.

There is only one more week to go for Dorset Day Camp! Camp ends on Friday, Aug. 22. Dorset Day Camp is open to boys and girls ages five to 13 and includes games, crafts, stories, cooking, swimming, indoor and outdoor activities and more. Come for a day, half day or a week. Registration is on a drop in basis and reservations are accepted. Don't miss out! Call 705-766-9968 for more information.

St. Mary Magdalene Anglican Church is hosting a Grandparents' Day dinner at the rec centre on Sunday, Sept. 7 with social time at 5:30 p.m. and dinner at 6 p.m. All are welcome. To reserve or find out more, call Pat at 705-766-2373.

Birthday wishes for Aug. 10 to 16 go out to Samantha Ellerington, Norm MacKay, Cory Keown, Erin Burgess, Jack Lilliman and Sandy Davis. Enjoy your special day!

If you have items for the Dorset News, please send them to malfano@hotmail.ca or give me a call at my home number, 705-766-0076.

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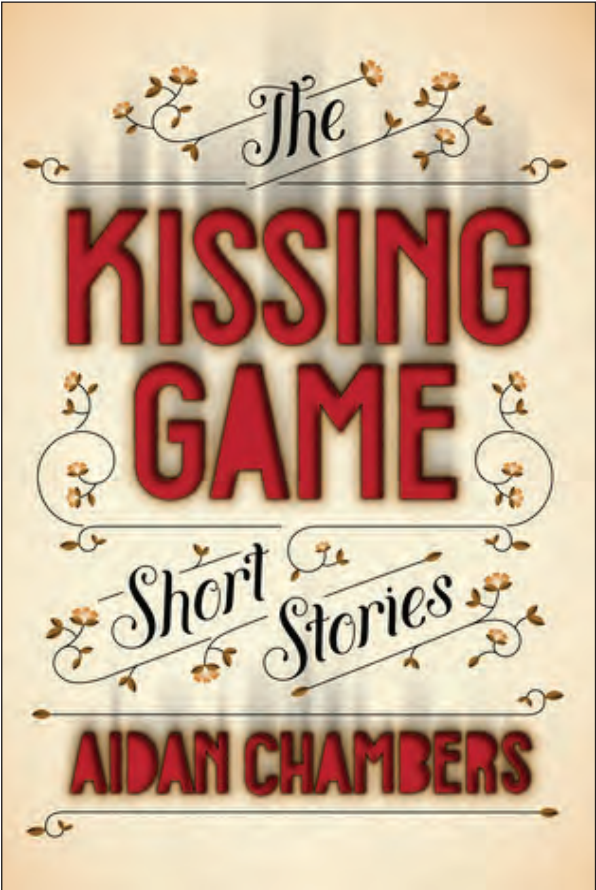
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The Kissing Game by Aidan Chambers is available to reserve at the Haliburton County Public Library.

Library News

Kids craft and story time continue through August! Aug. 20 at 10:30 a.m. don't miss Aimee Reid, author of *Mama's Day with Little Gray* as she visits our Minden branch for an afternoon of craft and storytelling. Brought to you by Friends of the Haliburton County Public Library. Light snacks will be available.



Lottery Winner

The Victoria District Masons held a licenced lottery for the purposes of raising funds for Prostate Cancer Canada. The draw took place July 16 at the Fairmont Royal York Hotel in Toronto at 2 p.m. with the following results: first prize of \$3,000 to Chris Roberts of Tyrone, second prize of \$1,500 to Wayne Brulotte of Brechin, third prize of \$750 to Brian Anderson of Bolsover, fourth prize of \$500 to Joanne Haines of Bailieboro, fifth prize of \$250 to Warren Payne of Minden. Payne (shown here) returned his winnings to the district project. Congratulations to all the winners and thank you to all those who supported the cause by buying tickets and selling tickets. Without your help this raffle would not have been such a success. From the proceeds of \$11,605 in ticket sales we paid out \$6,000 in prizes.

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Lunar celebration

Above, Anabel Acero was dressed for the occasion when she attended the Festival of the August Moon. The event celebrates a Japanese ceremony where it is believed floating lanterns carry the spirits of ancestors back to another realm after communing with the living. The fifth incarnation of this annual event took place along Minden's Gull River on the evening of Aug. 10 under a full moon.

Top left, Austen Paterson and Annarose Kirkpatrick place their painted lanterns in the Gull River during the festival.

Bottom left, colourfully decorated lanterns floated their way down the Gull River


Below, a crowd watched as lanterns floated their way from the Loggers' Crossing footbridge to the Bobcaygeon Road bridge as darkness set in.

Bottom, Matthew Sexsmith helped keep floating lanterns on course as they meandered their way down the Gull River.

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Haliburton Highlands finds success on Facebook

Zach Cox
Staff reporter

In a recent survey of Ontario's 444 municipalities, Haliburton County has placed in both the top 10 most liked on Facebook and the top 10 most liked on Facebook per capita.

Haliburton County was third place on the "most liked" list, with Sault Ste. Marie and London taking the first and second places respectively in Redbrick Communications' most recent survey of Ontario's 444 municipalities. In the "most liked per capita" category, Haliburton County placed sixth.

"It's exciting," said County of Haliburton tourism director Amanda Ranson of the county's placement. "It's acknowledging the great work we've done on social media over the past year."

"It's an honour to be on the list," she added. Ranson is pleased the focused approach to social media the county has adopted has resulted in success. "People are liking the imagery and the message," she said, explaining that she feels people are really getting behind the "MyHaliburtonHighlands" hashtag concept.

Consistent usage of the Haliburton Highlands Facebook page is another factor that Ranson feels has played a role in Haliburton County's placement on the top 10 lists. "[Facebook users] can count on regular information [from the page] on a daily basis and that keeps them coming back," she said.

This isn't the end of the digital line though, and Ranson is looking forward to expanding the county's audience on social media even further.

"We're going to expand our social media into other venues," she said. She sees potential in image-heavy services such as Instagram and Pinterest where the visual beauty of the region can be capitalized on.

"I'd love to be even higher on the list next year," she said.

The full results of the survey that include social media use by population, growth rates of social media usage in Ontario and top 10 lists for Twitter can be found in the resources section on the Redbrick Communications website, redbrick.ca.

Cleaning cars for a cause

Grade 12 Haliburton high school student and Minden resident Michael Turner washes Lynne Johnston's Subaru as the owner watches in delight on Aug. 11. Turner is offering a \$5 car wash every Monday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. outside of the Community Living office in Haliburton, with all proceeds going towards the organization. Turner, with the help of his cousin Kelsey and friends, is earning community service hours while raising funds for the organization, with the hopes of collecting \$1,000 by the end of the summer. His last car wash will be held on Sept. 1.

Angelica Blenich Staff

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Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared parts of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 29, Concession 5, Maple Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 29, Concession 5, Maple Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

- FIRSTLY:** THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 29, Concession 5 described as Part 1 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9651.
- SECONDLY:** THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 29, Concession 5 described as Part 2 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9651.
- THIRDLY:** THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 29, Concession 5 described as Part 3 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9651.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on **the 21st day of August, 2014** and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding these proposed closures must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

Dated: August 13, 2014

Dawn Newhook
Clerk-Planning Administrator
Township of Algonquin Highlands
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PUBLIC NOTICE
Applicant: TOMLINSON
Lot 16, Concession 14, Big Hawk Lake
Geographic Township of Stanhope

WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands has declared parts of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 16, Concession 14, Big Hawk Lake, in the geographic Township of Stanhope, in the Township of Algonquin Highlands, County of Haliburton, to be surplus.

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Municipal Corporation of the Township of Algonquin Highlands proposes to enact a By-Law to stop-up, close and convey to the abutting property owner(s) that part of the road allowance on registered Plan 182 and parts of the original shore road allowance lying in front of Lot 16, Concession 14, Big Hawk Lake, described as all and singular that certain parcel or tract of land and premises situate, lying and being in the Geographic Township of Stanhope in the County of Haliburton and being composed of the following:

- FIRSTLY:** THAT part of the road allowance on registered Plan 182 in front of Lot 16, Concession 14, described as Part 2 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9639.
- SECONDLY:** THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 14 described as Part 3 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9639.
- THIRDLY:** THAT part of the original shore road allowance in front of Lot 16, Concession 14 described as Part 5 on a Plan deposited in the Registry Office for the Registry Division of Haliburton County as Plan 19R-9639.

The proposed By-Law will come before the said Council for consideration at its regular meeting at the Algonquin Highlands Municipal Office, 1123 North Shore Road, on **the 21st day of August, 2014** and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his/her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his/her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard. Any person who wishes to be heard by Council regarding these proposed closures must contact the Clerk to schedule a delegation with Council.

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Township of Algonquin Highlands
Committee of Adjustment
Notice of Applications for Minor Variance

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 45(5) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3 O. Reg. 200/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Minor Variances have been submitted to the Township of Algonquin Highlands Committee of Adjustment, the minor variance granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER a public meeting has been scheduled on **Friday, August 29th, 2014 @ 1:00 p.m.** at the Township of Algonquin Highlands Township Office , **1123 North Shore Road, Algonquin Highlands, Ontario** for the Committee of Adjustment to hear the applications:

File No. A-AH-MV-011/14 Applicant: Frances & Maureen Cowan
Location of Property: 1187 Jones Road – Kushog Lake
Pt. Lot 4, Concession 2, Geographic Township of Stanhope

- Nature of Application:**
- 1. To reduce the high water mark setback from the required 30m (100 ft) to 8.23m (27ft) from the eastern shoreline of the property with the setback from the high water mark on the western shoreline remaining at 30m (100ft) to permit the construction of a 33.4 m² (359.5 ft²) addition of an existing second dwelling on the property.
 - 2. To reduce the rear yard setback from 12m (39ft) to 5.1m (16.7ft); and
 - 3. To permit the addition to the dwelling, which is the second single detached dwelling on the property and Section 4-10-8 or Zoning By-law No. 03-22, as amended, specifically prohibits and expansion of a dwelling where two or more dwellings exist on a lot where only one dwelling is permitted.

File No. AH-MV-013/14 Applicant: Jitendra Athayde & Camila Vaz
Location of Property: 1817 Big Hawk Lake Road – Big Hawk Lake
Pt Lot 16, Concession 12, Geographic Township of Stanhope

Nature of Application:
To reduce the high water mark setback from the required 30m (100ft) to 23m (75ft) to permit the construction of a 53.5 m² (576 ft²) garage.

File No. A-AH-MV-017/14 Applicant: Doug and Mary Anne Dodge
Location of Property: **54321 Big Hawk East Shore – Big Hawk Lake**
Part Lot 21, Concession 13, Geographic Township of Stanhope

Nature of Application: To reduce the high water mark setback from the required 30m (100ft) to 11.3m (37ft) from the east shore to permit the construction of a 57.9 m² (624 ft²) addition to an existing dwelling. The rear of the addition will be located 14.3 (47ft) from the high water mark from the north east shore.

File No. A-AH-MV-018/14 Applicant: Colin Thacker & Amy Prestwich
Location of Property: **1017 Norm Wallace Lane – Halls Lake**
Pt. Lot 13, Concession 6 & 7, Geographic Township of Stanhope

Nature of Application:

- 1. To reduce the high water mark setback from the required 30m (100ft) to 21.3m (70ft) to permit the construction of the proposed 41.8 m² (450 ft²) screened in porch to the existing dwelling; and
- 2. To reduce the high water mark setback from the required 4.5m (15ft) to 3m (10ft) to permit the construction of the proposed 38 m² (409ft²) deck; and
- 3. To permit the construction of a 38m² (409ft²) deck from the permitted maximum size of 25m² (269ft²) for a deck.

IF A PERSON OR PUBLIC BODY does not make oral submissions at a public meeting or make written submissions to the Township of Algonquin Highlands in respect of the proposed Minor Variances to Comprehensive Zoning By-Law 03-22 before the decision is made by the Committee of Adjustment; the person or public body is not entitled to appeal the decision of the Township of Algonquin Highlands to the Ontario Municipal Board. If a person or public body does not make oral submissions at a public meeting, or make written submissions to the Township of Algonquin Highlands before the decision is made by the Committee of Adjustment, the person or public body may not be added as a party to the hearing of an appeal before the Ontario Municipal Board unless, in the opinion of the Board, there are reasonable grounds to do so.

REQUESTING NOTICE OF DECISION: A copy of the decision will only be sent to the applicant, the agent and to each person who has filed with the Secretary-Treasurer a written request for notice of the decision.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Additional information regarding these Applications for Minor Variances are available for public inspection at the Planning Department, Township of Algonquin Highlands, *by appointment* during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Dawn Newhook
Municipal Clerk – Planning Administrator
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E-mail: dnewhook@algonquinhighlands.ca
Dated this 13th day of August, 2014

The Seadoo saga of Mountain Lake: A true story

A poem by Tom Macartney
Special to the Times

June 11 is here, the Seadoo is ready
My trip to Judge Jordan was slow and quite steady
In just a few minutes, it was in the water
And at that time nothing else seemed to matter
When I started the engine, I got a reminder
In shallow water the Seadoo is a grinder
It sucked up some sand and rocks in a bunch
I got myself wet going back to the launch
Back to the dealer I drive
Why this had happened I couldn't surmise
But this 30 foot ride cost me \$425
June 18th
Once again we are back at Judge Jordan Drive
The past is forgotten my brain is alive
again we are ready to go in the water
And as before nothing else seems to matter
Now out in the lake, ready to drive
Sitting up high in my 255
at a touch the throttle, got the feeling of power
from a dead stop UP TO 35 miles an hour
Now I was off to go for a ride
I noticed a friend of mine off to the side
I called out and asked her if she liked to go
and Felt disappointed when the answer was no
I just went around and did a few turns
Just like a race car doing some burns
Then I blasted it right up the lake
The feeling of power was no mistake
As the feeling grew, I gave a big sigh
If I opened it up this Seadoo could fly
Just then I got a feeling, that something's not right
On the dash there appeared a flashing red light
As I came to a sudden stop in the water
My mind was wondering what the hell is the matter
So I just sat and looked up at the sky
I had only one question and that was just, "Why?"
As I sat there I just wanted an answer
The machine bobbed up and down just like a dancer
I thought, now this just isn't great
I have no choice, I'll just have to sit here and wait.
Now the owner was still on the scene
I knew she'd be worried about her machine
Then just as a good friend would do
She'd come out and tow in this useless Seadoo
So I'll just lie back, with my head on the seat
and with the handle bars under my feet
That's when the dance turned into a stroll
Instead of a bob, it turned into a roll.
even before I had time to think
It rolled right over and started to sink
I quickly jumped clear and into the water
Now this was becoming a serious matter
The water was cold and I was so thin
Now I am immersed right up to my chin
As I watched, the Seadoo went down with a sigh
and sat with its nose pointed up to the sky
just when I thought it would sink all the way
I looked up to heaven and started to pray
still I was happy, I wasn't alone that

I could still hold on to that little nose cone
the Pontoon was coming and there was still hope
That we'd get this out, if she had a rope
Of course she did have a rope, what was I thinking
But when she threw it out, the damn thing started sinking
I didn't reach it in time, I wasn't that fleet
The water right there was 80 feet deep
However an emergency rope had been found
So far I was lucky I still hadn't drowned
The rope was tossed out by my friend
who somehow forgot to hold onto one end
I grabbed one end and attached the Seadoo
I felt so much better, the rope was brand new
I'd attached the rope just under the nose
When I turned, the rope's tangled up in my clothes
Then I got a thought, if the Seadoo should sink
And I untangled that rope as quick as a wink
Now I just have to get out of the water
But dragging the Seadoo was a different matter
Just then a woman's voice said loud and clear
"Sir get in the boat, we'll take it from here."
Now, should I do what this voice is saying?
Or is it a trick my chilled brain is playing?
That's when 2 swimmers swam into view
And proceeded to secure the helpless Seadoo
As I climbed up the ladder to the pontoon
I realized I looked like a half drowned raccoon
The rope was attached to the ski pole
I started the engine, got ready to roll
the stranger took over just like before
And slowly proceeded into the shore
I stood there and looked at the sunken Seadoo
And thought that perhaps its nightmare had come true
now I say I dont blame the Seadoo
for all of problems that it has been through
the driver made a mistake when he got in the seat
in my opinion the repairs weren't complete.
It had now seen its life as a grinder
now of that part, I don't need a reminder
Then as a sub, that had been cursed
It made a mistake and went down back end first
Next a rocket ready for flight
it really never had a hope to ignite
Now as a skier it's being towed,
if it gets out of the water I will be wowed
As I stood there I started to think
I must have been too long in the drink
now as this process starts off anew
how does it feel after all its been through .
now I feel this Seadoo should be retired
and put on a stand just to be admired
But the strangers had taken control
And I just stood there, chilled to the soul
They managed to get it back to the land
And together they put it back on the stand
Now I'll phone the dealer, I'm sure he'll explain
the reason it's going back there again ...
the dealer's name means nothing to me
but I sure didn't like his work guarantee .

The road to Hyland Crest

Olive Hamilton: Woman of many occupations

Jenn Watt
Editor

This is part of a series of profiles of residents living in Hyland Crest.

In her 87 years, Olive Hamilton has done a little bit of many things.

As circumstances changed, the Hyland Crest resident adapted, becoming a teacher, then a receptionist, cook and bookkeeper.

Hamilton was born on a farm in Manila, Ont., near Oakwood in 1927 and went to school in Lindsay. After teachers' college in Peterborough, she started her career in a two-room school in Cameron.

"I had all eight grades to teach and eight or 10 'starters' [Grade 1 students] who had never been to school in their lives," said Hamilton, who has a kindly smile and shining eyes.

Before long, she got married and relocated to Toronto, where she didn't know anyone and few teaching spots were open.

A friend of hers knew someone working at Avro Aircraft in Malton and was able to get her a job as a receptionist.

"I went to Avro Aircraft and they were test flying the Avro Arrow plane. ... Zurkowski was the test pilot's name and he had a telephone from the plane to the office where I was and he used to call in [and say] 'I've done it again ... I've broken some more windows around Toronto.'"

Hamilton liked the job and enjoyed the company of her co-workers, so she was stunned in 1959 to come to work one day and see drafting tables set up with unemployment insurance paperwork laid out.

"They had sold the Arrow aircraft to the States and we were all out of work," said Hamilton. "No sorry or anything else. I was married and separated and had a son at that time. Here I was without a job."

But it wasn't long before Hamilton found another job, this time as a receptionist for an electrical company. She found love a second time and this time it stuck. She married Jim Hamilton and together with their combined three children they lived in Pickering. Jim worked at General Motors and Olive returned to teaching.

She taught grades 3 and 4 and they bought a cottage in Ingoldsby.

Eventually Jim developed serious heart problems and was forced to retire. The couple moved permanently to their Ingoldsby cottage and Olive found work at Hyland Crest.

She started in the kitchen and eventually was given work as a bookkeeper.

"By that time, Jim had gotten a dump truck and he was doing all sorts of work with it," she said.

After an accident at work where a safe fell on her, Olive joined Jim in retirement and the pair sold their Ingoldsby home and bought a place in Minden beside Wild Orchid Thai restaurant.

"We loved it. We loved Thai food," Olive smiles.

As Jim's health got worse, the couple decided moving to Hyland Crest would be the best idea. They had a room together until Jim passed away in 2013.

Now Olive has a single room with a view of the Minden hospital's helipad. She enjoys the musical entertainment put on by the long-term care home and takes part in as many activities as she can.

"I can't sit and twiddle my thumbs," she says.



Olive Hamilton, 87, lives in Hyland Crest. Originally from the Oakwood area, Hamilton taught at schools, worked reception at Avro Aircraft and ended up working at Hyland Crest and living in Ingoldsby with her husband Jim. Eventually she moved to Hyland Crest in Minden.

Jenn Watt Staff

Career & Professional Opportunities



The Corporation of the
Township of Algonquin Highlands
requires a

Chief Building Official

Due to an upcoming retirement, the Township of Algonquin Highlands is seeking applications from experienced, qualified persons for the position of Chief Building Official. Reporting to the C.A.O., and as a member of the Senior Management Team, the Chief Building Official will be responsible for the administration, planning and management of the Building Department.

The CBO will process applications for building permits, review all construction drawings and perform on-site inspections of all construction, development and demolition activities and ensure that all are in compliance with the Ontario Building Code, the Official Plan, Comprehensive Zoning By-Law and all other relevant legislation and regulations.

In conjunction with the Deputy CBO, the CBO is responsible for review and processing of septic permit applications, on-site inspections and issuance of permits. Administration and maintenance of accurate records is critical.

This CBO is appointed as a By-Law Enforcement Officer and may investigate complaints and enforce municipal by-laws in conjunction with the Deputy CBO.

The CBO also acts as the Township's alternate Community Emergency Management Coordinator (CEMC).

The preferred candidate will possess the following qualifications:

- Certified Building Code Official (CBCO) designation.
- Certification by the Ontario Building Officials' Association.
- Successful completion of the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing courses: Small Buildings, Plumbing All Buildings, Building Services, Building Structural, Complex Buildings and CBO Legal. Large Buildings is an asset.
- Minimum of five (5) years' experience in building and septic inspections as well as with by-law enforcement in a municipal environment.
- Demonstrated management experience and an understanding of local government.
- Excellent interpersonal, project/time management, organizational, analytical and communication skills.
- Superior customer service skills.
- Demonstrated working knowledge of the Occupational Health and Safety Act.
- Proficiency in the Office Suite of products or equivalent.
- Valid Ontario class G Drivers' License and clean driver's abstract.

Salary Range : \$68,923.40 - \$77,586.60 (under review)

Applicants must indicate how they meet the minimum qualifications in their resume. We thank all applicants; however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.

Please submit your cover letter and resume and in confidence by **3:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 21, 2014** to:

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Hike Haliburton looking for leaders

Now in its 12th year and the largest hiking event in Canada, the Hike Haliburton Festival presents 60 guided and themed hikes throughout the Haliburton Highlands from Sept. 18 to 21. Each hike is led by dynamic hike leaders and volunteers who ensure the hikes are informative, enjoyable and safe. The Festival offers training opportunities to its leaders and volunteers including first aid, hike leader certification, natural and cultural interpretation and customer service.

In the interest of building the capacity of the local tourism industry to provide visitors with experiences that inspire, motivate, and create memories, the Hike Haliburton Festival is inviting interested individuals who are or would like to be experience/hike leaders to participate in this year's training.

Tourism is changing. No longer is it sufficient to offer things to do and see. Potential visitors now want to know what they are going to feel and remember about their visit. Engaging, passionate, knowledgeable experience leaders (guides, instructors, educators) are essential for interpreting the local natural and cultural heritage, animating tour-

ism destinations and attractions, leading adventure activities and facilitating memorable experiences for visitors.

Many tourism operators hire or would like to hire staff/guides to lead various experiences. While we are blessed with some excellent leaders having more well trained, dynamic and available leaders who can lead experiences in adventure, arts, nature, history, recreational geology, and culinary tourism will greatly improve our tourism offerings and make the Haliburton Highlands more competitive.

The Hike Haliburton Festival with the support of the County of Haliburton, Ontario Highlands Tourism Organization, Haliburton County Development Corporation, Ministry of Tourism, Culture, and Sport, Haliburton Highlands Chamber of Commerce, Arts Council-Haliburton Highlands, and Adventure Haliburton is coordinating a project to identify, develop, and promote experience leaders who would be available for hire.

Over the next few weeks the Hike Haliburton Festival is offering several free workshops including:

Two-day wilderness first aid certification course - Aug. 22 and 23 (free for first 12 who register)

Half day primer on first aid for hikers - Sept. 14
Half day hike leader certification course (Hike Ontario) - Aug. 28

Half day workshop in natural and cultural heritage interpretation - Sept. 14

Half day Haliburton Highlands Tourism Ambassador workshop - Sept. 16

Individuals who are permanent or seasonal residents of Haliburton County and are interested in being a Hike Haliburton Festival volunteer or willing to register as a Haliburton Highlands Experience Leader are invited to sign-up for one or more of these workshops.

For more information about being Haliburton Highlands experience leaders or the training opportunities contact project manager, Barrie Martin, at 705-457-7557 or info@yoursoutdoors.ca, or training coordinator, Corina Mansfield, at deeprootsteambuilding@gmail.com or (705) 854-0628

- Submitted

Card scores

August 5 contract bridge at Stanhope: Top marks went to Pat Hannah 5,360, Sally Cole 5,030, Dorthy Kinsman 4,940 and Mary Johnson 4,780. Jackie Metcalf was awarded the Lucky Loonie while Ev Morgan and Rob Eaton and Pat Hannah partnered with Sally Cole had Small Slams.

August 5 contract bridge at Minden United Church: From Nancy Ballantyne the news that the top trio members were Bob Penfold 4,200, Diane James 3,200 and Billy Shuyler 3,160.

August 5 Minden Seniors bid euchre at Minden Legion: High marks for the ladies went to Ida Young 331, Pearl Cowen 260,

Tom Grix 237 and Vi Howell 222. At 299 Garth Windsor topped the charts for the gents then Karen Chapman 278, Archie Ross 228 and John Deak 226. The major draw was won by Shirley Milne with Ette Ezard, Albert Foster and Theresa Deak taking home the smaller prizes and Theresa also claiming a moonshot along with Ida Young. Thanks to Betty Wagar for this update.

August 6 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South leaders were Diana Spicer and our interim bridge reporter Muriel McIntosh 63 percent then tied for second spot at 55 percent Tom Howat and Ross Davies and Ross Fletcher partnered with Nettie Butterworth. Over in East/West top marks went to Jim and Ruth Forrester 56 percent with a tie for second spot at 54 percent between the duos of Fran Smith and Lois Emmerson and Sandy McKay and Heather Lindsay.

August 7 bid euchre at Minden Community Centre: Leading ladies were Pat Roussel 338, Muriel McIntosh 337, Eileen Gough 280 and Janice Davidson 250. At 313 Karen Chapman was first for the gents then Tom Grix 263, Sharon Jarvis 248 and Theresa Deak 246 with Sharron Atkinson winning for call 1 and Ida Young holding the hidden score. Bev Johnson also reports that Kevin Maloney, Theresa Deak and Eileen Gough took the moonshots.

August 7 euchre at Minden Legion: May Bradbury reports that lone hand honours went to Bev Johnson and Doug McIntosh with Theresa Deak and Warren Heeson posting the high scores. The evening's lows went to Janet Heeson and Murray Daniels with Tom Grix, Cheryl O'Dell, Muriel McIntosh, Murray Daniels and Janet Heeson winning the other prizes.

August 8 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: North/South honours went to Stella McMillan and Carol McCord 56 percent, Gord Cochrane and Jean Collins 55.5 percent and Ross Davies partnered with Muriel McIntosh 53 percent. Over in East/

West the leaders were Sue Pethick and Joan Davies 63 percent, at 61 percent Helen Cassidy and Pat Hannah and Rob Eaton partnered with Rod Smyth at 51 percent. Please note that there will not be bridge at Echo Hills this Friday, August 15th due to a sold out presentation by Barbara Seagram.

August 8 bid euchre at Club 35: For the pinks the top three players were Mary Lou Dealy 279, Clara Miscio 262 and our reporter Jean Dutka 258. At 306 Jason Peacock led the gents with Al McMullen 236 second and Garth Windsor 226 third. Garth also had a moonshot along with Al McMullen while Marg Oetelaar held the hidden score.

August 9 bid euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: For the ladies Barb Robitaille led at 318 followed by Jean Scadden 219, Jean Randell 215 and Dorothy McElwain 188. First for the gents at 257 was Pat Scadden then Jesse Barlow 253, Theresa Deak 248 and Tom Grix 215. Betty Wagar won the major draw with Jesse Barlow, Pat Roussel and Shirley Howe claiming the smaller prizes while Pat Scadden, Barb Robitaille and Eileen Shepstone [2] took the moonshots.

August 11 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand holders were Pearl Cowen and Bert Pink with Doreen Powell and Pat Peterson posting the high scores. The afternoon's lows went to Margaret Fletcher and Annah Buxcey while Don Blakey claimed the special prize. Thanks to Kay Godden for this update.

August 11 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: For the White Team Ida Young led at 288 then Theresa Deak 257 and Gala Newell 249 while Marcy Morgan topped the Yellow Team at 271 followed by Dorothy McElwain 260 and Pauline Franzen 228. Rose Isaacson further reports that Theresa Deak won the draw while Ida Young took the only moonshot.

August 11 euchre at Staunworth Terrace, Minden: Sherin Brown reports that Elaine Smith won for high hands, Nick Boekestyn for lone hands, Lil Mann for low hands and Murray Daniels for the special prize.

August 11 euchre at Club 35: Lone hand honours went to Marion Farr who also won the baloney. High score holders were Joan Mann and our reporter Garth Windsor with Linda Voycey and Jean Dutka posting the evening's lows.

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